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Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A therapeutic agent composition for a corneal disorder comprising a compound having an effect of activating Rho as an active ingredient and a pharmacological carrier.
 - AM 2. (Amended) The therapeutic agent composition for the corneal disorder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the compound having the effect of activating Rho is lysophosphatidic acid or an acyl derivative thereof.
 3. (Amended) The therapeutic agent composition for the corneal disorder as claimed in claim 2, wherein said compound

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